



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 1149***

LCO No. 3989

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

***AN ACT CONCERNING SEWAGE SYSTEM ADDITIVES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 22a-461 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

3 (a) No person, firm or corporation shall sell, offer or expose for sale,  
4 give or furnish any synthetic detergent or detergent, whether in the  
5 form of crystals, powders, flakes, bars, liquids, sprays or any other  
6 form, in the state of Connecticut (1) on and after February 1, 1972,  
7 unless the container, wrapper or other packaging thereof shall be  
8 clearly labeled with respect to its polyphosphate builder or  
9 phosphorus ingredient content, clearly and legibly set forth thereon in  
10 terms of percentage of phosphorus by weight, expressed as elemental  
11 phosphorus per container, wrapper or other packaging thereof, as well  
12 as grams of phosphorus, expressed as elemental phosphorus, per  
13 recommended use level, and (2) on and after October 1, 1974, unless  
14 such person, firm or corporation files with the Commissioner of  
15 Environmental Protection a written statement setting forth the  
16 chemical and common names of all ingredients.

17 (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may require that  
18 the recommended household, commercial, personal or industrial use  
19 or uses of each product and that the per cent by weight and function of  
20 any ingredient in any product be provided in a written statement  
21 within thirty days of a request for such information. Any information  
22 acquired by the commissioner under this subsection shall, upon  
23 written request, be kept confidential with respect to the product name.

24 (c) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may, by order,  
25 ban or restrict the sale or use of any synthetic detergent or detergent in  
26 the state or the use of any synthetic detergent or detergent in any  
27 geographical area of the state to protect the waters of the state.

28 (d) No person, firm or corporation may use, sell, offer or expose for  
29 sale or give or furnish any sewage system additive which contains any  
30 substance or compound on the toxic pollutant list published by the  
31 United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section  
32 1317 of the federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1317), as  
33 amended.

34 (e) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with  
35 the provisions of chapter 54, to require the registration of sewage  
36 system additives. Such regulations shall not require the registration of  
37 any sewage system additive that is composed of viable  
38 microorganisms or biological catalysts, including enzymes, and that  
39 does not contain acids, bases or other chemicals deemed unsafe by the  
40 department for use in an on-site sewage disposal system.

41 (f) Any person who violates any provision of this section may be  
42 fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than three hundred  
43 dollars for the first offense, and not less than three hundred dollars nor  
44 more than five hundred dollars for the second and each subsequent  
45 offense. A separate and distinct offense shall be construed to be  
46 committed each day on which such person shall continue or permit  
47 any such violation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	22a-461
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To exempt certain biological sewage system additives from the registration requirement.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*